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In re Application of :
Keegan, Nagarajan, and Jana :
Application No. 09/965,142 : DECISION ACCORDING STATUS
Filed: 27 September, 2001 : UNDER 37 CFR 1.47(a)
Attorney Docket No. 483471-009C1 :

This is in response to the renewed petition filed under 37 CFR 1.47(a) on 15 July, 2002.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

Petitioners have shown that the non-signing inventor, Sushil R. Jana, has refused to join in the filing of the above-identified application after having been sent a copy of the application papers. Specifically, petitioners have established, via the statement of petitioners' registered patent attorney, Mark P. Levy, that a copy of the above-identified application was sent to the non-signing last known inventor's address. The non-signing inventor refused to sign the declaration naming him as a joint inventor along with James M. Keegan and Sundaram Nagarajan, however, by letter dated 5 February, 2002.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

As provided in Rule 1.47(c), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the declaration. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 703-308-6918.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "D Wood".

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In re Application of
Keegan et al.
Application No. 09/965,142
Filed: 27 September, 2001
For: ALUMINUM METAL-CORE WELD WIRE AND METHOD FOR FORMING THE SAME

Dear Mr. Jana:

You are named as a joint inventor in the above identified United States patent application, filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. 116 (United States Code), and 37 CFR 1.47(a), Rules of Practice in Patent Cases. Should a patent be granted on the application you will be designated therein as a joint inventor.

As a named inventor you are entitled to inspect any paper in the file wrapper of the application, order copies of all or any part thereof (at a prepaid cost per 37 CFR 1.19) or make your position of record in the application. Alternatively, you may arrange to do any of the preceding through a registered patent attorney or agent presenting written authorization from you. If you care to join the application, counsel of record (see below) would presumably assist you. Joining in the application would entail the filing of an appropriate oath or declaration by you pursuant to 37 CFR 1.63.

Telephone inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to Petitions Attorney Douglas I. Wood at 703/308-6918. Requests for information regarding your application should be directed to the File Information Unit at 703/308-2733. Information regarding how to pay for and order a copy of the application, or a specific paper in the application, should be directed to Certification Division at 703/308-9726 or 1-800-972-6382 (outside the Washington D.C. area).

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